GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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AKASHVANI KENDRA IN TRIBAL DISTRICTS
Athawale Shri Ramdas

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Akashvani Kendras particularly in tribal districts in the States, particularly, in Maharashtra ;

(b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted or proposed to be conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof State-wise and location-wise;

(d) the time by which the work thereon is likely to be commenced; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) : Yes, Sir. During 10th Five Year Plan, Radio Stations are proposed to be set-up in the tribal districts of the country. Of these, two radio stations are proposed at Amravati and Shirdi in Maharashtra.

(b), (c) & (d) : Site for Radio Station at Amravati has already been acquired and site for Shirdi has been identified. Matter is being pursued with State Government authorities for allotment of the site at Shirdi. State-wise details of new Radio Stations proposed during 10th Plan in tribal districts is given in the Annexure. These schemes are expected to be ready during 10th Plan, subject to approval and availability of resources.

(e) : Does not arise.